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SUBJECT: RHODESIAN STATEMENT OF DEC 7 ON LUSAKA TALKS

1. FOR BACKGROUND THREE FOLLOWS TEXT OF STATEMENT AS PUBLISHED IN TIMES OF ZAMBIA FROM REUTERS DISPATCH, ISSUED SAT, DEC 7, BY OFFICE OF RHODESIAN LEADERIMAN SMITH WHICH REFERRED TO IN HIS RADIO/TV STATEMENT EVENING WED, DEC 11 (SEPTTEL).

2. BEGIN TEXT: CONSISTENT WITH DETENTE WHICH HAS DEVELOPED RECENTLY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, DISCUSSIONS HAVE BEEN TAKING PLACE IN PRETORIA, LUSAKA AND SALISBURY. RESULTING FROM THESE DISCUSSIONS THE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT AGREED TO MOUNT A CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE ON CERTAIN
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CONDITIONS.

3. FIRSTLY, THAT THERE SHOULD BE A CESSATION OF
TERRORISM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRIME MINISTER'S
FREQUENTLY STATED PRINCIPLE THAT HE WOULD ONLY BE
PREPARED TO DISCUSS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH THOSE
WHO UNDERTOOK TO WORK CONSTITUTIONALLY AND WITHIN
THE LAW.

4. SECONDLY, THAT ANY CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE WOULD
HAVE TO ACCEPT THAT THERE WOULD BE NO LOWERING OF
STANDARDS.

5. ACCORDINGLY, AND WITH THE FULL CONCURRENCE OF THE
RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT, DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD IN
LUSAKA THIS WEEK BETWEEN 18 RHODESIAN AFRICANS --
SIX FROM EACH OF THE BANNED AFRICAN ORGANIZATIONS,
AND SIX FROM THE ANC -- AND THE PRESIDENTS OF
ZAMBIA, TANZANIA AND BOTSWANA. FOLLOWING ON THESE
DISCUSSIONS A MEETING WAS HELD YESTERDAY, FRIDAY,
6TH BETWEEN THE THREE PRESIDENTS AND REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT.

6. AT THIS MEETING OUR REPRESENTATIVES WERE
INFORMED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO CESSATION OF
TERRORISM UNLESS IT WAS AGREED THAT A PRECONDITION
OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE WAS THAT IT WOULD
BE ON THE BASIS OF IMMEDIATE MAJORITY RULE.

7. THESE PROPOSALS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE TO THE
RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT. HOWEVER, THE RHODESIAN
GOVERNMENT REPEAT THEIR OFT-STATED POLICY OF
PROMOTING COOPERATION AND PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE IN
SOUTHERN AFRICA, AND WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE THIS
OBJECTIVE. END TEXT.
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